Assembly Bill No. 2469

CHAPTER 949

An act to add Section 10540 to the Water Code, relating to water.

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AB 2469, Dickerson. Regional water management groups.

Existing law requires urban water suppliers, as defined, to prepare urban water management plans to facilitate long-term resource planning to ensure adequate water supplies to meet existing and future demands for water.

This bill would revise provisions proposed to be added to the Water Code by SB 1672, which would become operative only if SB 1672 is chaptered and becomes effective on or before January 1, 2003, and this bill is chaptered last. The bill would authorize a regional water management group to prepare and adopt a regional plan in accordance with certain procedures, that addresses programs, projects, reports, or studies relating to water supply, water quality, flood protection, or related matters over which a local public agency that is a participant in that group has authority to undertake.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 10540 is added to the Water Code, to read: 10540. (a) A regional water management group may prepare and
- adopt a regional plan in accordance with this part.
- (b) The plan may address qualified programs or projects or qualified reports or studies over which any local public agency that is a participant in that group has authority to undertake, including any of those matters described in subdivision (c).
- (c) A regional water management group may address, among other things, any of the following matters in a regional plan:
- (1) Groundwater management planning pursuant to Part 2.75 (commencing with Section 10750) or other specific authority.
 - (2) Any activity identified in Section 10753.7.
- (3) Urban water management planning pursuant to Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610).
- (4) The preparation of a water supply assessment required pursuant to Part 2.10 (commencing with Section 10910).

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- (5) Agricultural water management planning pursuant to Part 2.8 (commencing with Section 10800) or Part 2.9 (commencing with Section 10900).
- (6) The planning, construction, or modification of a flood management project that meets the requirements for funding under Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 12570), Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 12800), or Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 12850), of Part 6.
- (7) The planning, construction, or modification of a flood management project that meets the requirements for funding under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 12310) of Part 4.8.
- (8) The planning, construction, or modification of a flood management project approved pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 12639) of Part 6.
- (9) The planning, construction, or modification of a levee maintenance project that meets the requirements for funding under Part 9 (commencing with Section 12980) of this division, or Article 4 (commencing with Section 78540) of Chapter 4 of Division 24.
- (10) The planning, construction, or modification of a water recycling project that meets the requirements for funding under Article 4 (commencing with Section 79135) of Chapter 7 of Division 26.
- (11) The planning, construction, or modification of a publicly owned treatment works that meets the requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 13480.
- (12) The planning, construction, or modification of a domestic water supply facility to meet safe drinking water standards in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund Law of 1997 (Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 116760) of Part 12 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code).
- (13) The planning, construction, or modification of a drainage water management unit, as that term is defined in subdivision (a) of Section 78640.
- (14) A water recycling project that meets the requirements for funding under Article 4 (commencing with Section 79135) of Chapter 7 of Division 26.
- (15) The implementation of a water conservation program that meets the definition of a voluntary cost effective capital outlay water conservation program pursuant to Section 78670.
- (16) The planning, construction, or modification of a program or project that carries out any of the activities described in subdivision (c) of Section 79080 or reduces the impacts of nonnative plant species on water quality, water supply, or ecosystem health.

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- (17) The planning, construction, or modification of a program or project that desalts brackish or saline waters for use as an agricultural, domestic, or municipal water supply.
- (18) The planning, construction, or modification of fish screens, or other fish passage improvements.
- (d) This section shall become operative only if Senate Bill 1672 of the 2001–02 Regular Session is chaptered and becomes effective on or before January 1, 2003, and the act that adds this section is chaptered last, in which case this section shall prevail over Section 10540, as added by Senate Bill 1672.